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Mr. John T. Sweeney Jr., President Nelson Galvanizing, Inc. and Nelson Foundry Company, Inc. 11-02 Broadway Long Island City, New York 11106

Dear Mr. Sweeney:

Enclosed you will find documents relating to several separate enforcement actions being initiated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region II (EPA) with respect to violations of federal environmental laws at your facility located in Long Island City, New York. These are:

- (1) A Complaint, Compliance Order And Notice of Opportunity For Hearing, Docket No. II RCRA-91-0206, issued pursuant to Section 3008, 42 U.S.C. § 6928, of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended, for numerous violations relating to management of hazardous waste at the Long Island City facility.
- (2) A Complaint and Notice of Opportunity For Hearing, Docket No. II EPCRA-91-0207, issued pursuant to Section 325(c), 42 U.S.C. § 11045(c), of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (also known as the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986), for several violations of the Toxic Chemical Release Inventory Reporting requirements established by 42 U.S.C. Sections 11023 and 11038, and 40 C.F.R. Part 372 at the Long Island City facility.

Although these enforcement actions are being commenced concurrently, the legal authorities under which they are brought vary to some extent, and consequently the procedures to be followed in each case may vary as well. To minimize any possible confusion, the documents relating to each enforcement action are enclosed in seperate envelopes, and each package includes specific information on your rights and obligations as well as instructions on how to proceed. Each package identifies the

appropriate Environmental Protection Agency employees with whom to discuss that enforcement action. If you have any general questions about our decision to proceed with these actions simultaneously, you may call me at (212) 264-1018.

The Agency is aware that your company is undertaking work pursuant to an Order issued under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). Nothing in the enclosed Complaints alters your obligation to comply with the provisions of the CERCLA Order.

Sincerely,

Walter E. Mugdan
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Office of Regional Counsel

Enclosures

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